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7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

8 NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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10 KENNETH M. GREGORY, )  
11 Plaintiff(s), ) No. C09-1800 PJH (BZ)  
12 v. )  
13 ) INITIAL DISCOVERY ORDER  
14 CITY & COUNTY OF SAN )  
15 FRANCISCO, )  
16 Defendant(s). )  
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18 All discovery in this matter has been referred to United  
19 States Magistrate Judge Bernard Zimmerman.  
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21 In the event a discovery dispute arises, the parties  
22 shall meet in person or, if counsel are outside the Bay Area,  
23 by telephone and make a good faith effort to resolve their  
24 dispute. Exchanging letters or telephone messages about the  
25 dispute is insufficient. The Court will not read subsequent  
positioning letters; parties shall instead make a  
contemporaneous record of their meeting using a tape recorder  
or a court reporter.

26 In the event they cannot resolve their dispute, the  
27 parties must participate in a telephone conference with the  
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1 Court **before** filing any discovery motions or other papers.  
2 The party seeking discovery shall request a conference in a  
3 letter **filed electronically** not exceeding two pages (with no  
4 attachments) which briefly explains the nature of the action  
5 and the issues in dispute. Other parties **shall reply** in  
6 similar fashion within **two days** of receiving the letter  
7 requesting the conference. The Court will contact the parties  
8 to schedule the conference.

9 After the conference with the Court, if filing papers is  
10 deemed necessary, they should be filed **electronically** with the  
11 Clerk's Office, with **one hard copy delivered directly to**  
12 **Magistrate Judge Zimmerman's Chambers (Room 15-6688)**. A  
13 chambers copy of all briefs shall be submitted on a diskette  
14 formatted in WordPerfect or e-mailed to the following address:  
15 **bzpo@cand.uscourts.gov**

16 Dated: June 10, 2010

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19 Bernard Zimmerman  
20 United States Magistrate Judge

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